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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (TEXT PARA 1.)

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SUBJ: PROPOSED POSITION ON DG SUCCESSION

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1. FOLLOWING REPRESENT FACTORS INVOLVING SCENARIO OUTLINED
IN REFTEL AS I SEE THEM FROM DAKAR:

A. I OBVIOUSLY WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO INFORM SENGHOR
CONFIDENTIALLY OF US DECISION ENDORSE M'BOW CANDIDACY AT
POINT IN TIME SUGGESTED IN FORST SENTENCE OF PARA 5 OF
REFTEL. IN THIS CONNECTION, I SHOULD NOTE THAT
SENGHOR LEAVES DAKAR ABOUT FEB 18 FOR VISITS TO LIBREVILLE,
BRAZZAVILLE AND BANGUI, WITH RETURN TO DAKAR FIRST OR
SECOND WEEK OF MARCH IN TIME FOR VISIT OF ALGERCEN
PRESIDENT BOUMEDIENNE HERE. SENGHOR'S ABSENCE DURING
THIS PERIOD SHOULD AFFECT NEITHER DESIRABILITY NOR OUR
ABILITY SO INFORM HIM THROUGH PRIME MINISTER ABDOU DIOUF,
WHO WILL BE IN DAILY TOUCH WITH PRESIDENT DURING HIS ABSENCE.

B. ON THE OTHER HAND, I AM NOT SURE THAT I SEE THE
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NEED OR UTILITY OF "WELL-PUBLICIZED" SECOND MEETING WITH

SENGHOR, UNLESS IT SHOULD BE FOR PURPOSE (WHICH I WOULD OF COURSE WELCOME) OF DELIVERING A LETTER TO HIM FROM PRESIDENT NIXON. FROM POINT OF VIEW OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS, OUR OBJECTIVE WOULD BE ACHIEVED BY MY FIRST CONFIDENTIAL WORD TO SENGHOR OF OUR SUPPORT FOR M'BOW CANDIDACY. AFRICA-WIDE PUBLICITY FOR OUR SUPPORT MIGHT MOST EFFECTIVELY EMANATE FROM PERMREP, AT TIME AND PLACE JF HIS FORMAL MEETING WITH M'BOW AS MENTIONED SECOND SENTENCE, PARA 8 OF REFTEL.

2. ENDORSE OTHER SUGGESTIONS AND SCENARIO CONTAINED REFTEL.
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